

**AUSTRALIAN CAPITAL TERRITORY**

**ARCHITECTS ACT 1959**

**ARCHITECTS BOARD OF THE ACT**

**INSTRUMENT NO. 62 OF 1999**

**EXPLANATORY STATEMENT**

The *Architects Act 1959* (the Act) provides for the establishment of the Architects Board of the ACT.

The principle functions of the Board are to register persons engaged in the practice of architecture in the ACT. The Board issues Certificates of Registration and Practising Certificates. It conducts Architectural Practice Examinations on behalf of the Architects Accreditation Council of Australia (AACCA) and takes part in reciprocal recognition and review of legislation under the AACCA. It also maintains a register of ACT architects and investigates complaints against registered architects and persons in breach of the Act.

This instrument, pursuant to Part II of the Act, appoints members to the Board.

Section 6 of the Act prescribes the constitution of the Board and allows for Royal Australian Institute of Architects (RAIA) to nominate two representatives for appointment as members. The Minister appoints members to the Board for a period not exceeding three years.

Under Subsection 6 of the Act the Minister is required to appoint, from the members, a Chairperson.

The Legislative Assembly Standing Committee on Urban Services was consulted and has no objections to the appointments.